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SENATE BILL

No. 595

Introduced by Senator Johnson

February 20, 2003

An act to amend Section 1033 of, and to add Section 1326.5 to, the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to unemployment insurance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 595, as amended, Johnson. Unemployment insurance: Employment Development Department.

Existing law requires employers to pay to the Employment Development Department contributions for the Unemployment Fund, and requires the Director of Employment Development to maintain a separate reserve account in that fund for each employer. Each employer's reserve account is credited with all contributions paid on each employer's behalf, and unemployment compensation benefits paid to an unemployed individual are charged against the reserve account of the individual's employer.

Existing law requires the director, not less frequently than once each year, to furnish each employer with an itemized statement of the charges to the reserve account, and a statement of the reserve account showing the credits and charges, the net balance of the reserve account, and the contribution rate for the applicable rating period.

This bill would instead require the director to furnish each employer with these statements on a quarterly basis. This bill would also authorize the department to electronically transmit the itemized statement of

charges to any employer that electronically transmits its payroll information to the department.

This bill would also require the department to notify a claimant's employer within 5 business days when the claimant reports on the application for unemployment insurance benefits an address that differs from the address the department has on record for that claimant, *but would prohibit the department from disclosing the different address in its notification to the claimant's employer.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 1033 of the Unemployment Insurance
2 Code is amended to read:

3 1033. (a) The director shall on a quarterly basis furnish each
4 employer with an itemized statement of the charges to the reserve
5 account, in chronological order, and a statement of the reserve
6 account showing the credits and charges, the net balance of the
7 reserve account, and the contribution rate for the applicable rating
8 period.

9 (b) The director may electronically transmit the itemized
10 statement of the charges to any employer that electronically
11 transmits its payroll information to the department.

12 SEC. 2. Section 1326.5 is added to the Unemployment
13 Insurance Code, to read:

14 1326.5. The department shall notify a claimant's employer
15 within five business days of the claimant's filing of an application
16 for unemployment insurance that indicates an address that is
17 different from the address the department has on file for that
18 claimant. *However, the department shall not disclose the different*
19 *address in its notification to the claimant's employer.*

